

Department of Toxic Substances Control

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Statement Concerning DTSC's Involvement in the \$23.8 Million Settlement with AT&T Announced by Attorney General Kamala D. Harris

SACRAMENTO - The Department of Toxic Substances Control applauds the \$23.8 million settlement with AT&T announced Thursday by California Attorney General Kamala D. Harris.

Investigators from DTSC's Office of Criminal Investigations worked with the Alameda County District Attorney's Office Environmental Protection Division to conduct numerous waste inspections at AT&T facilities.

In addition, DTSC's Environmental Chemistry Laboratory, performed most of the chemical analysis of the waste to determine which were hazardous.

As a result of the work, DTSC will receive \$1.5 million to enhance the capability of its Environmental Chemistry Laboratory and \$50,000 as reimbursement of DTSC's costs.



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FOR GENERAL INQUIRIES: Contact the Department of Toxic Substances Control by phone at (800) 728-6942 or visit www.dtsc.ca.gov. To report illegal handling, discharge, or disposal of hazardous waste, call the Waste Alert Hotline at (800) 698-6942.

The Mission of DTSC is to protect California's people and environment from harmful effects of toxic substances by restoring contaminated properties, identifying and promoting safer ingredients in consumer products, and ensuring stewardship through enforcement, regulation and pollution prevention.